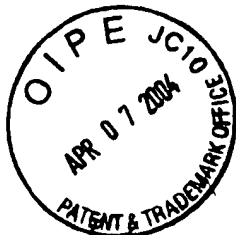


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**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

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the specification of which was filed **20 November 2003** as application **10/719,992**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

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Great Britain	0104622.6	24 February 2001	Yes

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